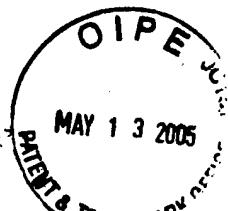


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This letter is in response to the Official Action mailed April 26, 2005. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions:

- Group I. Claims 1-27, drawn to an ink jet recording medium
- Group II. Claims 28-32, drawn to a coating composition, and
- Group III. Claims 33-39, drawn to a method of making a coating composition

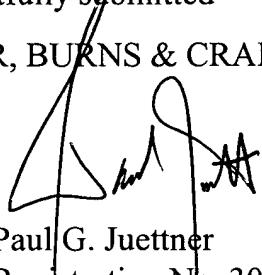
Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-27 and withdraw claims 28-39 without prejudice.

In the event that a generic claim is indicated as being allowable, applicants may request to rejoin one or more of the withdrawn claims. Further, applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) on the subject matter of the withdrawn claims.

Respectfully submitted

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